

May 14, 1997

Colonel J.M. Wonsik
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RE: Crandon Mine Project: 94-01298-IP-DLB

Dear Col. Wonsik:

Attached, please find the revised Position Paper by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) concerning the need for a Hydrologic and Hydraulic (H&H) Model to evaluate the potential impacts to the Upper Wolf River Watershed, the Swamp Creek Watershed, and the Pickerel Creek Watershed due to the proposed Crandon Mine Projects. Revisions to the original Position Paper, dated December 16, 1996, were made based on comments from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE) to clarify certain aspects of the Paper. I am confident that the revised Position Paper adequately addresses your concerns regarding the applicability and need of the EPA's H&H Model to the Crandon Mine Project and hope that the COE can now fully support EPA's effort of running this model in order to provide critical input to the federal Environmental Impact Statement process.

If you have any questions regarding this Position Paper or any other aspect of the H&H modeling being conducted by the EPA in relation to the Crandon Mine Project, please do not hesitate to call me at 312-886-7252 or Margaret Thielke at 312-886-6683.

Sincerely,

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